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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated May 9, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application, and is being filed concurrently with a request for continued examination.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: